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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION FOR PATENT

INVENTOR: Juergen OTTEN	DOCKET NO.: 4604
APPLICATION NO.: 10/755,049	CONFIRM. NO.: 8705
FILING DATE: January 8, 2004	ART UNIT: 3722
TITLE OF INVENTION: Clamping Mechanism	EXAMINER: M. TALBOT

MS AMENDMENT  
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
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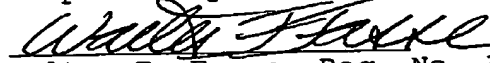
Dear Sir:

- 1) For filing in the above application, we are enclosing:
- a) Response (12 pages) to the Office Action of December 8, 2005;
  - b) Term Extension Request; and
  - c) Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038).

- 2) No additional claim fee is required, as shown below.

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Respectfully Submitted,

  
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